

REMARKS

By the above amendment, new claims 28 - 45 have been presented wherein claim 38 is considered to be a generic or linking claim with respect to features previously recited in claims 6, 9, 23 and 24, it being noted that claims 9, 23 and 24 stand withdrawn from consideration at this time.

The requirement for election of one of the Species, Sub-Species and Sub-Sub-Species, as identified by the Examiner at pages 5 and 6 of the Office Action, is traversed as being improper in that the requirement does not relate to the claimed invention or illustrated species. For example, independent claim 6 and dependent claim 27, the only claims, which the Examiner considers to be properly under consideration, are written in an alternative format that either the drain or the source is connected to the corresponding signal electrode, a capacitor is at least partially formed by a portion of either the drain or the source of the thin film transistor, and that one electrode of the capacitor is formed of a same material as a material of either the drain or the source of the thin film transistor. The claims do not specify the drain or the source, as required by the Examiner in terms of the Species, Sub-Species and Sub-Sub-Species. Thus, claims 6 and 27 are generic claims.

In view of the position taken by the Examiner, new claims have been presented which include generic or linking claims, as well as claims directed to the different Species, Sub-Species and Sub-Sub-Species, identified by the Examiner.

For the foregoing reasons, applicants traverse the election requirement as set forth by the Examiner at pages 5 and 6 of the office action, and provisionally elect, with traverse, Species I, as identified by the Examiner, Sub-Species A, as identified by the Examiner, and Sub-Sub-Species 1, as identified by the Examiner, and submit that previously submitted claims 6 and 27 are generic claims, and newly added claim

38 is a generic or linking claim, with respect all of to the Species, Sub-Species and Sub-Sub-Species, identified by the Examiner, as well as being a generic or linking claim with respect to the features of claims 9, 23 and 24, which the Examiner has withdrawn from consideration. Furthermore, in addition to generic or linking claims 6, 27 and 39 readable on the elected Species I, Sub-Species A, and Sub-Sub-Species 1, claims 28 - 31, 36 and 39 - 45 are also readable on the elected Species I, Sub-Species A and Sub-Sub-Species 1, and should be considered.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, applicants request favorable consideration of all claims identified above as readable on the elected Species, Sub-Species and Sub-Sub-Species. In this regard, applicants submit that upon allowance of a generic claim or linking claims, all claims in this application should be considered and found allowable.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 503.35282CX2), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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